FINANCE, OIL AND GAS

RECORD OF FAILURES

Fewer in September Than in any Month for Three Years.

Prosperous conditions in trade and industry are reflected in statistics of failures, which show a marked reduction from the high mortality of 1915. Strictly commercial insolvencies, as distinguished from banking suspensions and personal embarrassments, numbered 13,250 in the United States during the nine months just ended and involved \$154,586,707 of defaulted indebtedness, against 17. 288 reverses last year, when the lia-bilities reported to R. G. Dun & Co. were \$241,464,060. As the number of firms in business is steadily increasing, it is not surprising that there were more defaults than in all other years prior to 1915; yet the liabili-ties were the smaller for the period since 1912 and were also less than in 1908. Moreover, the record for the third quarter shows a numerical decrease of 1,632 and a contraction of about \$18,000,000 in amount as compared with the first quarter this year. and, as the latest returns afford the best indication of present conditions. it is gratifying that there were fewer failures in September than in any month in three years, while the indebtedness was the lightest since August, 1911. Number Liabilities

1916. 1915. 1914. 1916. Quar...54387 7,216 4,826 \$61,492,746 Quar...4,108 5,524 3,717 49,748,675 Quar...3,755 4,548 4,298 43,345,286 Failure statistics months are compared below for a ser les of years. Year No. Assets Liabilities 1916..13,250 \$ 87,552,170 \$154,586,707

1915..17,288 149,994,293 1914..12841 204,030,201 17,288 241,464,060 271,918,021 134,404,029 98,808,716 90,434,970 1913 11 712 1911.. 9,944 1910.. 9,399 1909.. 9,666 108,500,498 81,114,773 123.237,797 73.978,690 1908..11.946 179,677,523 1907.. 8,090 1906.. 7,912 45.787.940 84.660.237 1905.. 8,806 1904.. 9,183 44,325,069 67,328,110 111,659,205 101,755,855 53,109,285 85,407,490 Betterment in the business mortal

ity was practically general in the South Atlantic section, insolvencies during the nine months numbering 1,490. and involving \$14.824,703, against 2,293 for \$26,307,316 in 1915. Fewer defaults occurred in all of the nine States, except Delaware, where there was no change, and in South Carolina, Georgia and Florida the decreases were especially marked. Aside from West Virginia and North Carolina, which reported increases of about \$200,000 and \$1,300,000 respeclively, the liabilities were smaller in all instances, particularly in Florida and Georgia. Reductions, both in number and amount, appeared in each of three separate classifications, there eing a falling off of 678 in the number of trading failures and a contraction in liabilities of almost \$6,000,000

	Number			Liabilities
	1916	1915	1914	1916
Maryland	184	227	166	\$1,245,646
Delaware	17	17	18	101,518
Dis Col	31	45	65	379,738
Virginia	278	377	231	1,518,100
West Va	119	171	131	1.614.080
N. C	173	240	111	3,176,440
B. C	110	255	108	1,364.045
Georgia	314	544	295	2,622,419
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So. Atlan. 1,490 2,293 1,420 \$14.824,703

Pittsburgh

PITTSBURGH, Oct. 7.-The operations on the local market proved again productive of a array of new high records for various issues. Going down the list, there was American Window Glass Machine common, which made a new high at 66, then fol-Harbison-Walker common which went to 106½; Columbia Gas and Electric sold high at 35, and Union Natural Gas made a new high at

The market was again broad; the transactions were many, and the in-erest represented in the trading were if the most diversified character.

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	roof	9	8
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60 H-W	Ref pf*	10614	1061/2
484 Ind 1	Brew	514	51/4
145 I Br	ew pf	221/2	2215
1017 LaBe	lle I	80	75
60 Ohio	F Sup	471/2	471/2
11000 Pbg	C M	.08	.08
200 Pbg-I	raho M	1.25	1.25
175 P Br	ew pf	25	25
30 Pbg (Coal	371/2	371/2
510 Pbg	0 & G	914	9
80 P P	Glass	128	127
5915 Pure	Oil	2156	21%
23850 Ross	Mining	.40	.34
2200 San	Toy	.21	.20
90 Sewe	r Pipe	1514	151/2
1 32 U N	G C	16816	167
250 Un S	witch	120	119
1455 U S	Glass	4614	401/4
40 U S	Steel	117	116%
50 W P	Ry pf	7476	74%
582 West	A B	160	158
515 West	Elec	**66%	**64%
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New high record, **Ex-dividend.

Grain and Produce.

SHOWS PROSPERITY CHICAGO. Oct. 7.—Peace rumors and bearish advices regarding the Argentine crop outlook resulted in a series of downward swings in the value ries of downward swings in the value of wheat. The market closed heavy, 2½c to 5%c net lower, with December at \$1.57% to \$1.57% and May at \$1.57% to \$1.57%. Corn finished %c to 1% off and oats down %@% to ½c. Provisions scored gains ranging all the way from a shade to 85@87c. Articles Open Close Wheat— Wheat-

December\$1.59\% 1.57\% May 1.58\% 1.57\% December 27% May 78% December 49½ May 52½

New York

NEW YORK, Oct. 7.—Rumors of a renewal of peace negotiations, which seemed to receive credence in high financial quarters, were effective in de dressing prices in the stock market on the later dealings today, after much previous uncertainty and hesitation. Values declined 2, 3 and even 5 points from top levels of the forenoon, the selling being the most precipitate of any recent session, with some nomi-nal rallies at the close. Total transactions amounted to about 1,370,000 shares, of which 30 per cent occurred in the first hour.

"Those who regard the foreign exchange market as an infallible barometer of peace overtures extracted little comfort from that quarter. Ger-man remittances, which should strengthen at the first signs of peace, were slightly heavier and francs also shaded, with no change in rates to London.

Oil and Gas.

The manner-in which the wells on Dents Run, Mannington district, Marion county, are holding up, continues to be a surprise. The Clayton Oil Company has succeeded in exploding 138,865,624 the shot in its No 1 on the W Z Hays 154,417,301 farm and it produced 100 barrels in 116,135,871 the first 24 hours. The No 24 on the John L. Hays farm is producing 720 barrels; No 3 on the Alfred Kendali farm, 517 barrels; the Z E Batson farm well, 380 barrels, and the No 2 on the Hoard-Batson farm. 210 barrels. In McKim district, Pleasants county.

the Little Oil comapny has completed No 9 on the A J Cunningham farm and No 9 on the A J Cunningnam farm and it shows for a five-barrel pumper in the Cow Run sand. In Union district, the Engle Run Oll Company drilled No 13 on the Allen Holdren farm through the Cow Run sand and it is good for four barrels a day. In the same district, the Shanty Oll and Gas and the Sarah Jane. Company's No 6 on the Sarah Jane Barnhart farm is a very light pumper in the same formation

In the Burning Springs district, Wirt county, the South Penn Oil Company completed No 16 on the AB Wilson farm and has a 10-barrel pumper in the salt sand. In Cove district, Doddridge county, the Carter Oil Com-pany has now drilled its No 3 on the Connelly heirs' farm through the Gor-don sand and it shows for a five-bar-rel pumper. On the south fork of Hughes River, Murphy district, Rit-chie county, the Equality Oil Company drilled No 15 on the J F Lamp farm through the Big Jajun sand and found

Glass Making an Old Art. Among the Romans the art of glass making does not date earlier than the beginning of the empire, but as far back as 58 B. C. the theaters had been decorated with mirrors and glass

Of Little Use on the Earth. There are two kinds of men who never change their opinions-fools and dend ones. The man who will not learn from another is a stiff-necked old moss-back sitting on the tail of progress.

Generous Inclination. "That man makes himself very disagreeable." "Yes," replied Miss Cayenne. "But so many people are per-manently unpleasant that I rather admire a person who is only so when he means to be."

NEW COINS FEATURING SYMBOLS OF PEACE WILL SOON FLOOD NATION.

sculptors,

who designed the new

dimes, quarters and half dollar pieces

man on a freight train here and there,

another man deep seated in the cush-

ions of a Pullman car who was occupy-

ing his seat on a pass. It makes very

little difference to Republicans in Tay

an issue here; the issue here is that long before he entered this campaign Cornwell made his record for the rail-

road workers, and whether he carries a pass or pays full fare, a matter al-

logether within the individual right

of Cornwell, and the good will of the

the big majority of voters in Tay-

This is Judge Robinson's home coun-

inson was born here, and every vote

Watch Cornwell's vote in Taylor" but

Patience and Courage Needed.

chiefly have patience with yourself.

Do not lose courage by considering

your own imperfections, but instantly

set about remedying them; every day

begin the task anew.-Francis de

More Than Bridget Co..ld Stand.

get, tell them I'm engaged." Bridget

-"Thin, mum, Oi must give yez notice

to lave. Oi always thought yez was

married to the gintleman Ol call mas-

graceful, an Ol won't sthop in the

Sich a state av things is dis

Mistress-"If anyone calls, Brid-

Sales.

house."

lor county can prevent it.

soon to be issued by Uncle Sam.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 4.- "New coins or old" will be the slogan of the treasiry department and its mint service within a few weeks when the new design of dimes will be ready for is-

Following the dimes will come the new quarter and half dollar pieces The new dime will have on one side head of Liberty with a winged cap. The reverse side shows a design of a bundle of rods, with a battle ax. known as "Faces," and symbolical of unity Surrounding the faces is a full foliag-ed branch of olive, symbolical of peace The half dollars bears a full length figure of Liberty, the folds of the Stars and Stripes flying in the background The figure is striding toward the dawn

military glory. The reverse of the half dollar shows an eagle, perched high on a mountain crag, with wings unfolded. From a rift in the rock is springing a sapling of mountain pine, symbolical of America.

of a new day, carrying branches of laurel and oak, symbolical of civil and

The twenty-five-cent piece contains a full length figure of Liberty, front view, with head turned to the left. stepping forward to the gateway of the country. On the wall is inscrib-ed, "In God We Trust," which appears also on the new half dollar left arm of Liberty is upraised, bearing the shield in the attitude of protection. The right hand bears the olive franch of peace. The word "Liberty" appears above.

On the reverse side is shown the American eagle in full flight with wings extended, and the inscription "United States of America," and "E Pluribus Unum." and "quarter Dollar" below. Connecting the letter above on the outer circle are olive branches with ribbon that is stirred by the breezes as the bird flies.

By law, the coins are required to ave the figure of Liberty and the American eagle. It is in the design ing of the figures that the changes on the coins have been made.

KEEP YOUR EYES ON TAYLOR COUNTY

Republicans Willing to Take Opponents at their Word.

GRAFTON, W. Va., Oct. 7.-Taylor Republicans and others too, have been much amused to hear that beyond the borders of this county Democrats are constantly passing the "dope around" that Cornwell has something up his sleeve for Taylor county. Af if to make the campaign of Cornwell effective elsewhere, they pick the home county of Judge Robinson as one of the weak spots in the Republican battle this year. "Watch Cornwell's vote in Taylor" is the word passed around by these Democrats, leaving their hearers to imagine that some thing big is on for the Watson com-

bination here. The truth of the matter is that Republicans are quite willing that Demo crats shall keep their ears to the ground and their eyes turned to the ome of Judge Robinson, for Repub licans repeat that very same warning; "Watch Cornwell's vote in Tay ing; It will need much watching much "watchful waiting" to find any Cornwell vote at all here

It might be remarked that there are lot of laboring men and tradesmen in Taylor county, railroad crews, car men, miners and others of the great of toil which makes America the great nation she is. If any outsider can find the workingmen of this county opposing Judge Robinson he is finding something that is not apparent here. Governor Hatfield has challenged Cornwell to deny that he is travel-State on railroad passes and pullman passes, and Cornwell had not denied up till the time this was written. To ride on a pass is no crime; but the railroad workers in this county cannot forget the fierce assaults Cornwell made on their organizations not so very long ago, when he attacked in his paper, the Hampshire Review, the full crew bill. Even if a full crew meant an extra

Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

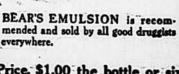
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lor county whether Cornwell rides on a pass or pays full fare—that is not "PAPE'S DIAPEPSIN" MAKES SICK. SOUR, GASSY STOMACHS

Do some foods you eat hit backtaste good, but work badly; ferment into stubborn lumps and cause a sick, Mrs. Dyspeptic, jot this down: Pape's
Diapepsin digests everything, leaving
old sets of artificial teeth in any
one distance of artificial teeth in any
one distance of artificial teeth in any railroad companies, he will not ride from Romney to Charleston to be in-stalled as Governor of this state if certainly effective. No difference how badly your stomach is disordered you will get happy relief in five minutes. Taylor county would be proud of the honor of having a governor from among her native sons, for Judge Robbut what pleases you most is that it strengthens and regulates your stomach so you can eat your favorite foods his party can give him in his native hills will be given heartily. Yes, without fear.

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